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References AA-BX on the attached revised form PTO 1449 were cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in the prosecution history of patent application Serial No. 08/083,590, filed June 25, 1993, which is a continuation-in-part of patent application Serial No. 07/955,012, filed September 30, 1992 (abandoned) and patent application Serial No. 07/879,038, filed April 30, 1992 (abandoned), to which the instant application

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claims priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 120. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.98(d), the Examiner is directed to the files of the above-identified applications for copies of the references cited therein.

Identification of the listed references is not to be construed an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since this form identifies all of the references cited therein as "Prior Art." As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith several pages of a "revised form PTO 1449" entitled "List of References Cited" instead of "List of Prior Art Cited."

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the application.

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